

Proclamation

WHEREAS, economic times are handing a financial blow to the Downriver Communities on a scale that has not been seen since the Great Depression with no relief in sight,

WHEREAS, our Downriver Communities are directly affected by each action and contraction that occurs within the automotive industry,

WHEREAS, all of our Downriver Communities would benefit from the diversification and existence of a new industry that is immune to recession,

WHEREAS, each Downriver Community, its businesses, and its residents would directly and/or indirectly benefit from such a major employer being located within our immediate vicinity,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That this Mayor is asking the City Council to unanimously approve this resolution in public support of the proposed Film Studio Project to be located in the City of Allen Park,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that by this Resolution, we request that the Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano and the State of Michigan to proactively commit their resources, services and finance-based incentive programs in assistance to the City of Allen Park to make this opportunity a reality,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That I, Mayor Norma J. Wurmlinger, and the City Council and our entire constituency wish to make their support publically known and therefore ask that certified copies of this resolution be immediately sent to the Mayor of Allen Park, Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano, Wayne County Economic Development Department Director Turkia Mullins, and the Office of Governor Jennifer Granholm.


Mayor Norma J. Wurmlinger





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**THE SENATE
STATE OF MICHIGAN**

April 16, 2009

The Honorable Gary J. Burtka
City of Allen Park
16850 Southfield Rd.
Allen Park, MI 48101

Dear Mayor Burtka:

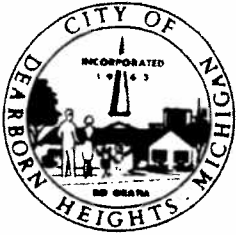
I want to congratulate you, your staff, and the Allen Park community for the positive announcement of a Lifton development project.

Having met Jimmy Lifton, I am impressed with his work ethic, perseverance and dedication. In fact, his insights were in part, the inspiration for my sponsoring, SB 405, with bi-partisan support. Like Jimmy, I believe "build it and they will come." SB 405 expands the film infrastructure credit from 25% to 30%. It also encourages hiring 90% Michigan residents.

Again, best wishes as you proceed with this venture.

Sincerely,

Nancy Cassis
State Senator
15th District



City of Dearborn Heights

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Judy Dudzinski
CITY CLERK

CITY OF DEARBORN HEIGHTS
APRIL 15, 2009

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF FILM STUDIO PROJECT – ALLEN PARK

The following is a copy of a motion adopted at the Regular Meeting of the Dearborn Heights City Council.

09-132 Motion by Councilman Brown, seconded by Councilwoman Van Houten, that the Resolution in Support of Film Studio Project in the City of Allen Park be adopted as follows:

WHEREAS, as economic times are handing a financial blow to the Downriver Communities on a scale that has not been seen since the Great Depression with no relief in sight,

WHEREAS, our Downriver Communities are directly affected by each action and contraction that occurs with the automotive industry,

WHEREAS, all of our Downriver Communities would benefit from the diversification and existence of a new industry that is immune to recession,

WHEREAS, each Downriver Community, its businesses, and its residents would directly and/or indirectly benefit from such a major employer being located within our immediate vicinity,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that this Mayor is asking the City Council to unanimously approve this resolution in public support of the proposed Film Studio Project to be located in the City of Allen Park,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that by this Resolution, we request that the Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano and the State of Michigan to proactively commit their resources, services and finance-based incentive programs in assistance to the City of Allen Park to make this opportunity a reality,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Mayor, Council and our entire constituency wish to make their support publicly known and therefore ask that certified copies of this resolution be immediately sent to the Mayor of Allen Park, Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano, Wayne County Economic Development Department Director Turkia Mullins, and the Office of Governor Jennifer Granholm, per Mayor Paletko, communication dated April 1, 2009.

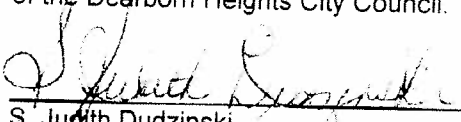
Ayes: Councilwoman Agius, Councilwoman Badalow, Council Chairman Baron, Councilman Berry, Councilman Brown, Councilwoman Horvath, Councilwoman Van Houten.


Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Motion unanimously adopted.

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a motion adopted at the April 14, 2009 meeting of the Dearborn Heights City Council.


S. Judith Dudzinski
Dearborn Heights City Clerk


Daniel S. Paletko
Dearborn Heights Mayor



KATHLEEN BUDA
CITY CLERK

CITY OF DEARBORN

Home Town of Henry Ford

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

LOLA T. ISIMINGER
DEPUTY CITY CLERK

April 9, 2009

The following is a copy of a motion adopted at the Regular Meeting of April 6, 2009 of the Dearborn City Council.

By Sareini supported by Shooshanian.

4-262-09. WHEREAS: Difficult economic times are adversely affecting Dearborn and adjacent downriver communities and all of Wayne County on a scale that has not been seen since the Great Depression, and

WHEREAS: Our communities would directly benefit from the diversification of our economy to broaden our 21st Century jobs and business base especially with Allen Park being a potential employment site in the center of Wayne County, and

WHEREAS: The State of Michigan film industry incentive program has stimulated significant interest in Southeast Michigan as an attractive place for this industry to thrive, and

WHEREAS: The City of Dearborn and its residents would directly benefit from new jobs, increased use of hotels, shopping, entertainment establishments, filming locations and general business activity through the creation of a film studio project in our Wayne County community of Allen Park, and

WHEREAS: Mayor O'Reilly has asked the Dearborn City Council to support this project; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Dearborn City Council unanimously approves this resolution in public support of the proposed Film Studio Project to be located in the City of Allen Park; be it further

RESOLVED: That by this resolution, we request that Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano and the State of Michigan proactively commit their resources, services and financial incentive programs to assist Allen

Park and all of Wayne County in making this opportunity a reality; be it further

RESOLVED: That Mayor O'Reilly and the Dearborn City Council, representing the people of Dearborn, make their support publicly known by sending certified copies of this resolution to the Mayor of Allen Park, Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano and Governor Jennifer Granholm; be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be given immediate effect.

The resolution was adopted as follows: Yeas: Abraham, Hubbard, Sareini, Shooshanian and Thomas (5). Nays: None. Absent: Darany and Tafelski (2).

KATHLEEN BUDA
CITY CLERK



City of Riverview

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April 22, 2009

The Honorable Jennifer Granholm
Governor
State Capitol
P. O. Box 30013
Lansing, MI 48909

Dear Governor Granholm:

Please find enclosed the Riverview City Council resolution in support of the Film Studio Project to be located in the City of Allen Park.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Hutchison
Records Manager/Assistant City Clerk

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Enclosure

Cc: Raymond Basham, Senator
Andrew Kandrevas, 13th District Representative
Ed Clemente, 14th District Representative
Bob Constan – 16th District Representative
Robert Ficano, Wayne County Executive
Joseph Palamara, Wayne County Commissioner
Turkia Mullins, Director of Wayne County Economic Development Department
Gary Burtka, Mayor of Allen Park

City of Southgate

County of Wayne, State of Michigan

No. 70-09

Resolution

At a Regular Meeting of the Southgate City Council called to order by Council President John Graziani on April 15, 2009 at 8:00 P.M. the following resolution was offered:

Moved by Rollet, supported by Lannen,

WHEREAS, economic times are handing a financial ~~blow~~ to the Downriver Communities on a scale that has not been seen since the Great Depression with no ~~relief~~ in sight, and

WHEREAS, our Downriver Communities are ~~directly affected by~~ each action and contraction that occurs within the automotive industry, and

WHEREAS, all of our Downriver Communities ~~would~~ benefit from the diversification and existence of a new industry that is immune to recession, and

WHEREAS, each Downriver Community, its businesses, and its residents would ~~directly~~ and/or indirectly benefit from such a major employer being located within our immediate vicinity, and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that this Mayor is asking the City Council to unanimously approve this resolution in public support of the proposed Film Studio Project to be located in the City of Allen Park, and

BE IT RESOLVED, that by this Resolution, we request the Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano and the State of Michigan to proactively commit their resources, services and finance-based incentive programs in assistance to the City of Allen Park to make this opportunity a reality,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that I, Mayor Norma J. Wurmlinger, and the City Council and our entire constituency wish to make their support publically known and therefore ask that certified copies of this resolution be immediately sent to the Mayor of Allen Park, Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano, Wayne County Economic Development Department Director Turkia Mullins, and the Office of Governor Jennifer Granholm.

Vote on motion: yeas - Ferencz, Ganzberger, Graziani, Lannen, Rauch, Rollet,
 nays - None.
 absent- Batko (Excused).

Motion carried unanimously.

I, Thomas M. Alexander, City Clerk of Southgate, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, correct and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Southgate City Council at a regular meeting held on April 15, 2009.


City Clerk

CITY OF RIVERVIEW, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN,
HELD ON MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2009 A.D.,
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF
THE PETER ROTTEVEEL MUNICIPAL BUILDING
14100 CIVIC PARK DRIVE, RIVERVIEW, MICHIGAN 48193-7689

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Presiding: Mayor Durand

Present: Councilmembers: Blanchette, Coffey, Rudicil, Swift, Elmer Trombley, James Trombley

RESOLUTION 09-08
A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING FILM STUDIO PROJECT
TO BE LOCATED IN THE CITY OF ALLEN PARK

Motion by Councilmember James Trombley, seconded by Councilmember Elmer Trombley, that a Resolution in support of the proposed Film Studio Project to be located in the City of Allen Park be adopted.

WHEREAS, economic times are handing a financial blow to the Downriver Communities on a scale that has not been seen since the Great Depression with no relief in sight; and

WHEREAS, our Downriver Communities are directly affected by the challenges confronting the beleaguered automotive industry; and


WHEREAS, our Downriver Communities would benefit from the diversification and existence of a new industry that appears immune to the present recession; and

WHEREAS, each Downriver Community, its businesses, and its residents would benefit from such a major employer being located within our immediate vicinity;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council for the City of Riverview supports of the proposed Film Studio Project to be locate in the City of Allen Park; and

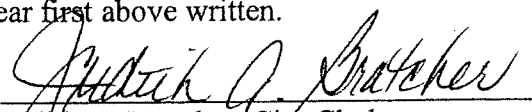
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that by this Resolution, the City of Riverview requests that the Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano and the State of Michigan to proactively commit their resources, services and finance-based incentive programs in assistance to the City of Allen Park to make this opportunity a reality; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be immediately sent to the Mayor of Allen Park, Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano, Wayne County Economic Development Department Director Turkia Mullins, the Office of Governor Jennifer Granholm, and the State Legislators and County Commissioner representing the City of Riverview.


Tim Durand, Mayor

The undersigned, as City Clerk for the City of Riverview, attests that the foregoing resolution is a true copy of action taken by the City Council on the date and year first above written.

(Seal)


Judith A. Bratcher, City Clerk

Carried unanimously.



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For Immediate Release
April 15, 2009

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Sen. Cassis hails new Allen Park studio complex

LANSING - State Sen. Nancy Cassis, chair of the Senate Finance Committee, is encouraged that Allen Park is about to be home to a \$146 million complex where hundreds of Michigan workers could be on the job in the film industry.

"This is one of the most exciting developments in recent years," said Cassis, R-Nov. "It's a tribute to the commitment, perseverance, and enthusiasm of Jimmy Lifton. He demonstrates the impact that one person with a clear vision can have on our economy."

The 15th District lawmaker explained that Lifton's approach was the motivation behind a reform package she recently introduced. Senate Bill 405 would increase the Infrastructure Film Credit from 25 percent to 30 percent, double the minimum facilities investment requirement from \$250,000 to \$500,000 and mandate that at least 90 percent of the employees would be Michigan workers.

"This project reaffirms my consistent advocacy that building permanent facilities will lead to permanent, sustainable jobs in Michigan," Cassis said. "I applaud the long-term approach that is being embraced with this investment."

Mr. Lifton is a Metro Detroit native who has spent three decades in the entertainment world. He worked extensively with local officials and industry leaders to develop the upcoming Unity Studios moviemaking complex. Cassis is very supportive that it will be a multi-use development that includes studios and a skills training center.

Cassis credits Lifton for insisting that area residents be given preference in hiring for jobs likely to be created. "We want these jobs to be Michigan jobs, employing Michigan workers," said Cassis. "This is good news for Allen Park and the state of Michigan."

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